

# ANNUAL REPORT — 2022

IGNITING **GENEROSITY.**  
BUILDING **COMMUNITY.**  
FOR GOOD, **FOREVER.**



## Mission

The Winona Community Foundation is a ***catalyst for igniting generosity and building the vibrant and enduring place we call home.***

## Vision

The Winona Community Foundation, ***where purposeful giving changes lives forever.***

## Values

**Educating • Connecting • Preserving • Collaborating • Serving**

## LETTER FROM LEADERSHIP

### Dear Donors, Partners & Friends,

It is our pleasure to present to you the Winona Community Foundation's 2022 Annual Report. Thanks to your support, your community foundation continued to make a meaningful impact in the lives of all who live, work, and play in this vibrant place we call home.

Despite a challenging stock market in 2022, our community showed exemplary generosity as the Foundation leaned into our commitment to supporting the critical needs of our community. We continued to work with steadfast partners and donors to provide essential resources and services to those who need them most. At the same time, we were proud to support our valued arts and recreation organizations, providing social and creative outlets that make Winona unique.

As you page through this report, you will see the impact that your generosity has had on some of our area's important community nonprofits. Through the Community Grant program, the Foundation awarded \$149,959 in grants to twenty-three nonprofit organizations serving the greater Winona area. When you add up all the charitable funds administered by the Foundation, our charitable impact exceeded \$2.1 million dollars.

None of this would have been possible without the incredible support from you, our donors, volunteers, and partners. We are deeply grateful for your commitment to the Foundation and to our shared vision for a stronger, more resilient community.

As we look ahead to the future, we know there are more opportunities and challenges to be addressed. That is why the Board and staff are actively working to build the Foundation's permanent endowment funds. We aspire to have a permanent endowment that will generate a half-million charitable dollars for the benefit of the greater Winona area. We know it's ambitious and we know our community deserves it. We are excited to continue working with you to create positive change and improve the lives of those in our community. Thank you for your continued support and for being a vital part of our foundation's success.



A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Amanda Hedlund'.

**Amanda Hedlund**  
2022 Board Chair



A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Nancy M. Brown'.

**Nancy M. Brown, CFRE**  
President/CEO

## 2022 HIGHLIGHTS

# Financials

In 2022, we granted out over **\$2.1 million** through a combination of donor-directed and community grants to tackle the most pressing issues facing the community.

Despite facing obstacles such as stock market volatility and inflation, our donors and team collaborated to enable the Foundation to play a leadership role in addressing these challenges.

The donors who generously contributed to these grants are true advocates of the community, and we are honored to join forces with them in our efforts to build a greater Winona community for everyone.



Our accreditation provides assurance that we have sound policies and practices in place. ***We prioritize meeting the highest standards for local giving.***



This Platinum Seal of Transparency ensures you can be confident in our commitment to the community. ***We prioritize clear communication about our goals, strategies, capabilities, achievements, and progress indicators with our community of stakeholders.***

## Statement of Financial Position as of 12/31/2022:

Assets	2022	2021
Cash	54,339	22,970
Investments	14,799,418	18,734,314
Other Prepays	2,997	443
Property and equipment, net	1,607	793
<b>Total Current Assets</b>	<b>14,860,334</b>	<b>18,963,521</b>
Liabilities		
Accounts Payable	6,815	6,932
Grants Payable	0	0
<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>	<b>6,815</b>	<b>6,932</b>
Net Assets		
General	1,998,645	2,361,597
Restricted or Designated	12,861,688	16,594,922
Total Net Assets	14,853,519	18,956,589
<b>Total Liabilities and Net Assets</b>	<b>14,860,334</b>	<b>18,963,521</b>
Support & Revenue		
Contributions	1,376,663	2,844,784
Gifts in Kind	1.00	2,255
Investment Earnings	(2,928,923)	2,094,424
Other Revenue	558,918	460,845
<b>Total Support and Revenue</b>	<b>(993,341)</b>	<b>5,402,308</b>
Expenditures		
Community Grants	145,708	108,066
Advised Grants	2,038,849	1,764,613
<b>Total Grants</b>	<b>2,184,557</b>	<b>1,872,679</b>
Operations and Investment Expenses	921,395	788,841
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>3,105,952</b>	<b>2,705,845</b>
<b>Excess of Revenue (expenditures)</b>	<b>(4,099,293)</b>	<b>2,696,463</b>
<b>Net Assets at beginning of year</b>	<b>18,963,521</b>	<b>16,266,299</b>
<b>Net Assets at end of year</b>	<b>14,860,334</b>	<b>18,963,521</b>

The above limited financial information is un-audited. Contact the Foundation office for complete audited financial statements.

## 2022 HIGHLIGHTS

### Grantmaking

**\$14.8M**

Total Assets

**1,139**

Donations Received

**\$1.6M**

Total Gifts

**114**

Foundation Funds

**581**

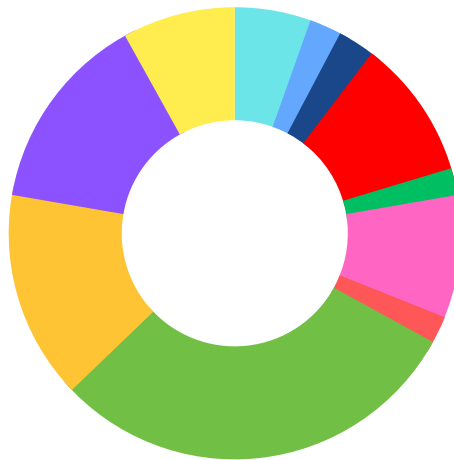
Grants Awarded

**\$2.1M**

Distributed

### Community Grant Program

The Winona Community Foundation awards community grants to causes and organizations that meet the ever-changing needs of the community. These grants are broad and inclusive to meet the current needs in the Winona area. In 2022, the Foundation received a record number of 49 applications by requesting more than \$400,000 in funding. The grant review committee was challenged to award grants that would serve the diverse needs and opportunities in our community. **The Foundation Board of Directors awarded 23 organizations \$149,959 from the Community Grant program.**



#### GRANTS BY PROGRAM AREA

- Arts & Culture: 5.4%
- Civic: 2.6%
- Disaster Relief: 2.6%
- Educational: 10%
- Environmental: 1.9%
- Health & Wellness: 8.8%
- Housing & Shelter: 1.9%
- Human Services: 29.8%
- Religion: 14.9%
- Youth: 14.2%
- Other: 8.1%



#### GRANTS BY REGION AREA

- Winona Community Foundation Service Area: 64%
- Regional Outside Service Area (MN, WI): 17.8%
- Out of Region: 18.2%

## STORIES OF COLLABORATION

### Goodview Community Foundation: A New Partner in Philanthropy

The Winona Community Foundation has announced the establishment of its newest affiliate community foundation, the Goodview Community Foundation. This partnership allows the Goodview Community Foundation to benefit from the Winona Community Foundation's centralized professional services in financial, administrative, marketing, and community insights. As an affiliate of a 501(c)(3) organization, the Goodview Community Foundation can also leverage national accreditation and tax credit capability provided by the Winona Community Foundation.

By collaborating as an affiliate, the Goodview Community Foundation is able to have local leaders, volunteers,

and donors to come together to address specific local needs while benefiting from the support and expertise of the Winona Community Foundation.

The Goodview Community Foundation is led by a local board of community volunteers who manage their own independent granting and make local grants that improve the quality of life in the Goodview area. To support the Goodview Community Foundation, the Goodview Business Association made an initial donation of \$14,000. The foundation aims to meet the charitable needs of the City of Goodview, improve the quality of life, and strengthen the community for future generations with values based

on integrity, trust, local community, relationships, and fairness in all its endeavors.

This partnership is a testament to the power of collaboration in strengthening local communities. As the Goodview Community Foundation continues to grow and expand its impact, it will undoubtedly bring positive change to the Goodview area and its residents. With the support and expertise of the Winona Community Foundation, the Goodview Community Foundation is well-positioned to achieve its mission of meeting the charitable needs of the City of Goodview and improving the quality of life for future generations.



## STORIES OF GIVING

### Lasting Environmental Education Inspired by a Couple's Passion for Nature

JC and Arlene Pfeiffer are dedicated to preserving the natural environment, and through their passion, they established the Connect People to Nature Endowment Fund. The fund aims to support organizations, projects, or programs that expose people to nature and its settings. This can be through improving access through trail development and maintenance, conserving land, providing educational programming, or purchasing equipment and gear that gets people outdoors.

Their initial gift was placed into the endowment, which is invested over time, and earnings from the fund are used to make grants addressing community needs related to environmental conservation issues. Their gift, along with all future gifts, is a permanent source of community capital that will continue to do good work forever.

**“Everybody wins when they invest time, talent or treasure into their community.”**

- JC Pfeiffer

The Foundation continuously monitors changing community needs to ensure that fund advisors and the community as a whole can be sure that the grants made in the name of the fund have the most significant impact.

In 2022, the Winona Outdoor Collaborative received a \$5,000 grant from the Connect People to Nature Fund to support projects and programs that aim to increase inclusion and accessibility to the outdoors for groups of students who typically lack equitable access to nature. Additionally, the program aims to support student overall health and wellness through the lens of nature-based environmental education programming.

Winona Outdoor Collaborative's application expanded on how underserved populations of youth in Winona County lack equitable access to the outdoors for a variety of reasons, including financial barriers, underrepresentation, lack of education or support in exploring the outdoors, transportation, and more. Moreover, the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic has presented challenges to students' mental and physical wellness, as they spend increased amounts of time in front of screens isolated from peers. Time spent in nature can help combat depression, anxiety and other mental health conditions that have been increasing in students since March of 2020.



Through accessible environmental education programs, the Winona Outdoor Collaborative believes they can support students' overall health and wellness while also developing deeper connections with the natural world to support their continued interest in getting outdoors.

The Connect People to Nature Fund is an excellent example of an endowment fund that ensures long-term sustainability in the cause they care about. Anyone who shares the same interest and passion for the fund can make a new gift of any amount at any time. These gifts become a permanent community funding resource, enabling the community to support environmental conservation for generations to come.

The Pfeiffers' passion for preserving the natural environment will continue to thrive through the Connect People to Nature Endowment Fund, which will make a lasting impact on the community they love.

## **STORIES OF IMPACT**

# **\$18,416.70 of COVID-19 Relief Funds Granted to Local Nonprofits**

When the COVID-19 pandemic struck Winona in 2020, many individuals and families in the area faced severe financial hardship. In response to the growing need, the Winona Community Foundation established the COVID-19 Relief Fund in April 2020. The goal was to raise and collect charitable donations to provide direct relief to those struggling with pandemic-related financial difficulties, such as work shutdowns, layoffs, and childcare.

The Foundation's promise was that every penny collected would go back into the community for this purpose. After an initial donation of \$25,000, agency partners of the fund received \$5,000 to provide to individuals in need. As a result of generous donations from both big and small contributors, the fund grew to over \$200,000.

As the effects became more manageable and requests for assistance dwindled, the Winona Community Foundation's Board of Directors decided to close the COVID-19 Relief Fund. At the time of the decision, there was \$18,416.70 remaining in the fund.

Despite the fund's closure, the Winona Community Foundation remains dedicated to helping those in need. The remaining funds of \$18,416.70 were distributed to the Foundation's agency partner nonprofits for operational relief.

The following organizations received a portion of the fund:

### **HIAWATHA VALLEY MENTAL HEALTH CENTER**

During the pandemic, Hiawatha Valley Mental Health Center provided responsive and client-focused behavior health services to meet the diverse needs of their clients. Through the COVID-19 Relief Fund, they were able to purchase phone minutes for clients to attend therapy sessions, noise-canceling headphones for a woman experiencing difficulty with background noise in her home, and a grocery gift card for a single parent who lost her job.

### **HOME AND COMMUNITY OPTIONS:**

Home and Community Options (HCO) offers support and residential services to individuals with developmental disabilities, including 24-hour care settings, an apartment complex, and programs for semi-independent living. HCO's services aim to build skills, promote growth, and foster independence. Despite facing financial challenges during the pandemic, including increased safety expenses, HCO continues to provide essential support to those in need.

### **PROJECT FINE**

Project FINE assists immigrants and refugees with integration by offering interpreters, translators, and educational resources. Services are provided to both newcomers and established residents.

During the pandemic, Project FINE supported affected families with gift cards and full rent support to prevent evictions. This allowed families to have a safe place to live during this difficult time.

### **SEMCAC:**

Semcac provides support to enhance self-sufficiency by maximizing community resources. During the pandemic, the Outreach Services staff provided personal connections and crisis assistance, including motel vouchers, food emergencies, and transportation. This helped clients achieve improved self-reliance and stability through the establishment of a personal plan.

### **WINONA VOLUNTEER SERVICES:**

Winona Volunteer Services provides life necessities through its programs, including a food shelf, clothing thrift store, and home-delivered meals, among others. During the pandemic shutdown, some individuals and their families were out on the street with no safe place to stay. Winona Volunteer Services help individuals find shelter at a local hotel and used COVID-19 Relief Fund dollars to assist in paying for their stay.

The COVID-19 pandemic has caused significant hardship and loss for many people in Winona and around the world. However, the Winona Community Foundation's COVID-19 Relief Fund served as an example of how communities can come together to support one another during challenging times.



## **COMMUNITY GRANTS:** **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICE**

### **CATHOLIC CHARITIES OF SOUTHERN MN: \$3,580**

To support the Living Well with Chronic Conditions and Living Well with Chronic Pain programs which are led by trained facilitators and aim to teach and develop better self-management skills at no cost.

### **HABITAT FOR HUMANITY SERVING WINONA COUNTY: \$9,950**

To support the essential scaffolding upgrades required for safety during repair and construction projects, including painting, siding and soffit replacement, roof repair, and window replacement (as the organization's current scaffolding was nearing the end of its expected use).

### **WINONA AREA HUMANE SOCIETY: \$10,000**

To establish a fund to cover the cost of necessary veterinary procedures, such as spaying and neutering, for cats and dogs in their care to ensure their health and adoption into loving homes.

### **TEAM VOGEL VS CANCER: \$10,000**

Due to COVID-19 restrictions, Team Vogel couldn't hold their usual fundraisers, limiting their support for cancer patients and their families. This grant helped them provide financial aid while they worked on revitalizing their fundraising efforts.

### **ELDER NETWORK: \$5,000**

To support in-person counseling and virtual support groups for mental health needs of seniors and their caregivers, providing a network of support and contacts.

### **FAMILY & CHILDREN'S CENTER: \$3,750**

To purchase AED packages for two facilities, Hiawatha Hall and Franklin Street, to support the health and safety of residents and providers.

### **WINONA FRIENDSHIP CENTER: \$6,300**

To support the Program to Encourage Active and Rewarding Lives (PEARLS), which aims to teach problem-solving skills to reduce depression, increase positive interactions, and improve the quality of life. This grant allowed them to operate the program free of cost to participants.

### **LET'S ERASE THE STIGMA: \$10,000**

To support the continuation and expansion of its budgeting and expungement classes, including participant assistance, facilitator contracting, and sliding fee scale expungement assistance.

### **HIAWATHA VALLEY MENTAL HEALTH CENTER: \$3,800**

For the purchase and installation of exterior security cameras at their four group home locations to enhance safety and security for residential adults and workers.

### **WINONA DEVELOPMENTAL ACHIEVEMENT CENTER: \$8,000**

For the purchase of a wheelchair swing and five fruit trees, which will enhance the lives of individuals in wheelchairs and support learning.

### **SOUTHEASTERN MINNESTOA MULTI- HOUSING AND DEVELOPMENT**

#### **AUTHORITY: \$7,500**

To pilot a Homebuyer Club for 12 households in the Winona area, which will offer low to moderate income households, Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher participants, and Public Housing tenants a more in-depth instruction to the homebuying process and a mortgage readiness certificate at the end of the program.

### **WINONA ORC: \$3,500**

To contribute to the purchasing of a new commercial shredder for their confidential document shredding department, which provides employment opportunities for up to 25 individuals and over 400 hours of meaningful work each week.

### **WINONA HEALTH FOUNDATION: \$5,000**

To develop a Partial Hospitalization and Intensive Outpatient Program which can be used as a step-down from inpatient care for patients with escalating mental health needs.

### **IMMIGRANT LAW CENTER OF WINONA: \$2,500**

To assist their attorneys in providing outreach, advocacy, and legal services to unlock benefits for immigrants and refugees in Winona and the surrounding community, ensuring all residents can live safe, secure and stable lives regardless of legal status or country of origin.

# IMPROVING LIVES



**\$88,880  
AWARDED**

**14  
COMMUNITY  
GRANTS**



**Health and human service grants are crucial because they provide funding to organizations that offer critical services to individuals and communities in need.** These grants can support a wide range of programs and initiatives, including healthcare services, mental health counseling, housing assistance, food banks, and other social services. By providing financial resources to these organizations, health and human service grants work to improve the quality of life for vulnerable populations, promote equality and social justice, and strengthen communities.

## COMMUNITY GRANTS: EDUCATION

### PROJECT FINE: \$8,000

To provide support for their FORCE program, which aims to assist middle and high school boys from refugee and immigrant families. This program emphasizes career exploration, financial literacy, leadership, and navigating cultural differences, and is modeled after their successful program for girls.

### WINONA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE FOUNDATION: \$8,000

For The Career Academy (formerly known as REACH) program, which helps high school students in southeast Minnesota prepare for future careers. This program aims to create an employment-ready and skilled workforce for major industry sectors in the greater Winona area.

### SERVEMINNESOTA: \$10,000

To support Americorps trained Reading Corps tutors for grades K-3 at Winona Area Schools, including Jefferson, Goodview, and W-K. The tutors will work with students on-site, providing individual and group reading sessions for 20 minutes each day, with no cost to the schools.

### FROZEN RIVER FILM FESTIVAL: \$4,329

To support a two-week film-making summer day camp in 2023, with one camp for youth ages 8-12 and another for teens ages 13-18. The camps will cover topics such as image composition, framing, shooting for sound, equipment adaptation, and editing, and will involve outdoor filming in the community. The youth camp will focus on stop-action animated filming and basic script writing.

### READY SET SCHOOL: \$4,900

Support for their voucher program that offers school supplies and clothing to K-12 students and families in Winona County who are low-income. The funding will provide 70 children with \$70 vouchers.

**“The families are always grateful for the help as back-to-school is expensive.”**

- Mandi Olson

# UNLOCKING POTENTIAL



**\$35,226  
AWARDED**

**5  
COMMUNITY  
GRANTS**



**Education grants are important because they provide critical financial support for educational needs.** These grants can help students overcome financial barriers to education, allowing them to pursue their academic and career goals. Education grants can also support innovative programs and initiatives helping to improve the quality of education and support academic success.

## COMMUNITY GRANTS: ARTS & CULTURE

### MINNESOTA CONSERVATORY FOR THE ARTS (SAINT MARY'S UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA): \$4,350

To support their 10-week summer youth theatre program and production of "Junie B. Jones". Participant fees were waived, removing the financial barriers to participate, and they were able to hire a production coordinator for a high-quality experience.

### WINONA'S LITTLE WARRIOR DRUMLINE: \$10,000

To support the purchase of new drums and harnesses, equipment including drum skins, mallets and sticks, uniforms and travel expenses for the kids (ages 7-17) participating. The program offered by the organization is free to any child.

### ISLAMIC CENTER OF WINONA: \$1,500

To support a hosted dinner by the Islamic Center on April 30, 2023 to introduce up to 150 new Afghan families to members of the Winona community. The event included an educational program that addresses the conditions that led to the resettlement of Afghan refugees in the United States, and it was open to the community with a livestream option available.

**"This was a wonderful evening. This was a great way to build cultural understanding and awareness. Ahmed did an excellent job of helping non-Muslims understand what was going on and feel welcome and included. And the food was very tasty! Great efforts were made to recognize all of the individuals and groups who have helped make refugee transitions as easy as possible."**

- Aaron Young  
WCF Board Member

### MINNESOTA MARINE ART MUSEUM: \$10,000

To support "Seasonal Saturdays". This is a program providing \$1 admission, free transportation, curated gallery tours, live artist demonstrations, live music in the galleries, and art-making activities for all participants. This program was developed to reduce barriers to the arts for Winona community members.

# EMPOWERING CREATIVITY



**\$25,850  
AWARDED**

**4  
COMMUNITY  
GRANTS**



**Arts and culture grants are important because they provide essential funding for the arts and cultural sector, which plays a vital role in enriching our communities and enhancing our quality of life.** These grants support organizations that promote and preserve our cultural heritage, encourage artistic expression, and provide opportunities for public engagement with the arts. These grants can have a positive impact on individual well-being by providing opportunities for creative expression, cultural exchange, and community engagement. Access to the arts and culture can promote social cohesion and understanding, and help to build a more inclusive and diverse society.

## STORIES OF IMPACT

# 2nd Annual Charity Golf Outing

The Winona Community Foundation hosted their 2nd Annual Charity Golf Outing on June 24th, 2022 at the Bridges Golf Course. A significant portion of the Foundation's Community Grants come from our annual charity golf outing. In 2022, the event raised \$30,063.52 from their collective 36 sponsors which went directly into the Community Grant Program for Cycle 2 that was due on August 1.

The purpose of the event was to help local charities make a difference in the Winona Area. By participating in this event, sponsors and volunteers were directly supporting the competitive Community Grant program that benefits local nonprofits. Each year, the Foundation receives grant requests that far outweigh our available dollars to grant each year. In 2022, there were 49 grant applications requesting over \$400,000 and the Foundation awarded 23 nonprofits \$149,959 from the Community Grant program.

A special thank you to our major Augusta sponsor, the Helen Leaf Haun Fund, for their kindness through their \$5,000 sponsorship. A big thank you to our Shinnecock sponsors, Bob Kierlin and Mary Burrichter and Merchants Bank, for their kindness through their \$3,000 sponsorship. A thank you to all of our thirty-three other sponsors and participants, who were agents in making this event possible.

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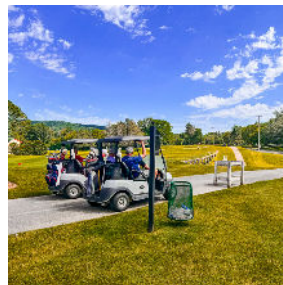
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## STORIES OF INNOVATION: 2022 FOUNDERS AWARD: MALIA FOX

The Founders Award is a community-nominated award given to an individual who has demonstrated an extraordinary commitment to improving life in the Winona area through the use of time, talent and treasure. As part of this award, the recipient has the opportunity to grant dollars from the Founders Endowment Fund to a charity of their choice. Malia Fox was nominated and selected as the Founders Award recipient of 2022.

Malia Fox has always had a passion for working with and caring for people – especially those who are often made invisible to the world. As the Director of the Winona Friendship Center for over 28 years before retiring in March of 2022, she was instrumental in ensuring each resident's quality of life was enhanced. Under her leadership, the Winona Friendship Center resides as Minnesota's only nationally accredited senior center. Malia went above and beyond to be an advocate and to encourage change. She's had numerous experiences with various community service

roles and activities, both locally and nationally. Malia's experience paired with her kindness, dedication and passion demonstrates her servant leadership within Winona.

**"When I got the call from Nancy about this award, I was stunned. I didn't feel like the typical awardee. This has been my job for over 28 years. When Nancy explained why I was receiving the award, I felt honored. I am honored to be among such special people. A lot of the past Founders Award recipients I've learned from."**

As part of this award, she had the opportunity to grant dollars from the Founders Endowment Fund to a charity of her choice. Malia chose to grant \$7,000 to Hiawatha Valley Mental Health Center – Winona and \$1,000 to the Winona Friendship Center.

We celebrated Malia on October 6th at Whalen's at Westfield. During this event, we and many others thanked her for her shared time, talents, and treasures. Thank you to everyone who attended this wonderful event to honor Malia. It was truly a night to remember.



## PREVIOUS FOUNDERS AWARD RECIPIENTS:

**2021: Phil Feiten,**  
Community Leader

**2020: JC Pfeiffer,**  
Community Leader

**2012: Patte Paterson,** Past  
Board Member  
of the Winona Community  
Foundation

**2010: The Winona HIMS**

**2008: Sue Cornwell,**  
Community Leader &  
First President of WCF

**2007: Tim Burchill,** Past  
Development Program  
Director at Saint Mary's  
University of MN

**2005: Gloria Ames,**  
Community Volunteer

**2004: Dr. Darrell Krueger,** Winona  
State University Past President  
and **Louis De Thomas,** Saint  
Mary's University, Past President

## Donors

**We express our gratitude to all those who have invested in the Winona Community Foundation by contributing to our community grant program and operations.** This list represents gifts made between January 1 and December 31, 2022. We make every effort to ensure the accuracy of this list, and regret any errors or omissions. If you find one, please contact the staff at the Foundation.

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***The Winona Community Foundation is honored to have received gifts in tribute to the following individuals:***

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Mom, Dad & ML  
Alan & Craig Nelson  
Mary Farrell & Jerome  
Christenson  
The great staff at the Winona  
Community Foundation!

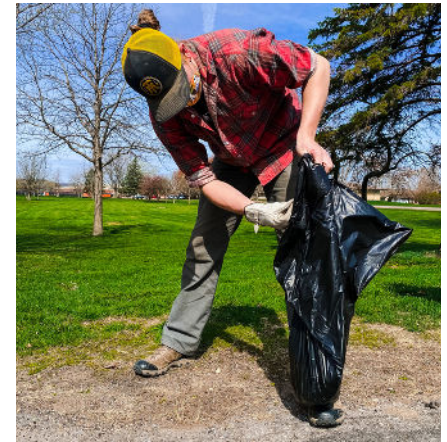
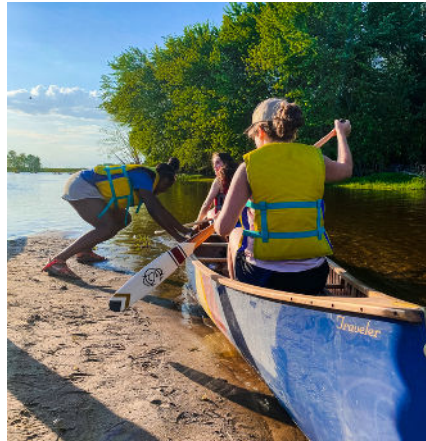
### Legacy Society Members

The work of the Winona Community Foundation is made possible by the generous support of many individuals and organizations. **We wish to thank and acknowledge these generous Legacy Society members here:**

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# Foundation Funds

## AGENCY ENDOWMENT FUNDS

*This type of fund serves a variety of nonprofit organizations seeking to benefit from its investment expertise. This allows them to focus on delivering their mission.*

Anonymous  
Big Brothers Big Sisters Endowment  
Clara Barton Red Cross  
Friends & Deborah Miller Kanaber Library  
Margaret Simpson Home dba Family & Children's Center  
Ready Set School Designated Fund  
Rushes Wilderness Foundation  
Winona Volunteer Services - Endowment

## DESIGNATED FUNDS

*These funds are those which the Foundation's Board of Directors are responsible for making grant distributions to benefit the greater community. Anyone is invited and encouraged to contribute to these funds.*

Charity Golf Event  
Community Impact  
Donna Helble  
Elmer & Louise Mattila Family Founders  
General Operating  
General Trust  
Jack & Sue Cornwell Memorial  
Ramona L. Jezewski  
St. Charles Hospice Endowment  
Thomas H. Laken, Sr. - Admin Endowment  
Wilmer L & Beverly A Larson

## FIELD OF INTEREST FUNDS

*These funds are broad in purpose and allow donors to target their giving to reflect a passion for a particular cause or area of interest. The Foundation's Board of Directors are responsible for making grants to nonprofits that align with the field of interest. Anyone is invited to establish a new fund or contribute to an existing field of interest fund.*

Connect People to Nature  
Dental Access  
Early Childhood Initiative  
Goodview Community Foundation  
High Wagon Bridge Restoration  
R.E.A.C.H.  
Treasure Trove  
United Way of Olmsted County's Winona Fund

## SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS

*Many people want to pay tribute to a loved one or assist young people pursuing a career goal similar to their own. Establishing a scholarship fund at the Foundation is one way to accomplish this.*

Brianna Grace Vitek Scholarship  
Gary Mills Scholarship  
Gomez Montessori Scholarship  
Jack Rader Scholarship  
Morrie Miller Memorial Scholarship  
Rotary Ambassadorial Visitor

## SPECIAL PURPOSE FUNDS

*This type of fund may have a specific purpose, criteria, or time period attached to them and often have multiple contributors.*

High Wagon Bridge Restoration  
Homer Civic Association  
Jean Knutzen  
Landon We-no-nah Fountain  
Masonic Temple Restoration  
Winona Park Development - Bandshell  
Winona Park Development - Dog Park  
World Fair

## FISCAL SPONSOR FUNDS

*The Winona Community Foundation will serve as a fiscal sponsor to charitable causes that benefit from the Foundation's charitable status. Some fiscal sponsorships are in place to assist a new nonprofit before it secures its own IRS letter of determination.*

BK5K Youth  
Dive & Rescue of Winona  
Friends of Treatment Court  
Friends of Winona Parks  
Goodfellows  
Nordic Ski Club of Winona  
Ready Set School  
Resilient Winona County  
Sandbar Storytelling Festival  
Steamboat Days of Winona

Winona Area Nonprofit Alliance  
Winona Area Toys for Kids  
Winona Park Development - Disc Golf Course  
Winona Rotary Charitable Fund  
Winona Skatepark & Community Plaza  
Winona's Little Warrior Drumline

## DONOR ADVISED FUNDS

***This type of fund gives donors the flexibility and benefit to make gifts to their funds and direct grants to the nonprofits of their choice. Your fund's assets are co-mingled and invested with those of the Foundation. Fundholders receive an immediate tax deduction when establishing or adding to a fund, benefit from investment growth, and support the causes they love.***

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Brosnahan Family  
Cyrus Family  
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